

application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please insert the attached Formal Drawings, Figure 1 and Figure 2, into the present application.

Please cancel the existing Sequence Listing for the above-identified application, replace it with the substitute Sequence Listing appended hereto, and insert the same at the end of the application.

Please substitute the first paragraph with the following paragraph:

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This is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/220,077, filed December 23, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,274,712 B1, which claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e), of the earlier filing date of U.S. provisional application, Appl. No. 60/068,667, filed on December 23, 1997. The entirety of each of these applications is incorporated by reference herein.

Please substitute the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 29, with the following paragraph: